Welcome to the City of Bedford Heights. My name is Fletcher D. Berger, and I have the privilege and honor of being mayor of this fine community of about 11,000 residents. As I enter my eighth year as Mayor of Bedford Heights, I want to express my appreciation and gratitude to our residents for allowing me to serve this community. It is truly an honor. We have accomplished much, but there is still work to be completed.

Almost everything in life begins from the ground up. This is why improving our community's infrastructure has been my primary focus. The revitalization of many of our major roadways and some of our most dangerous side streets are now complete. By improving our 50-year-old water and sewer systems within the city, and revitalizing our roadways, we can ensure infrastructural stability for years to come.



Fletcher D. Berger Mayor/Safety Director

Like many of you, we have also been deeply concerned about what has been an unpredictable economy for a number of years. During my tenure, we have significantly reduced our payroll by more than \$1.5 million dollars, maintained a balanced budget year after year and engaged our neighbor communities to develop ways to reduce expenses. As of January 2015, we will have paid off the 1994 bond debt on the Bedford Heights Community Center.

We are currently working on several projects. However, our most significant is the newly commissioned (*January 2015*) Southeast Emergency Communications Center located in our City Hall. This has been a joint effort among the communities of Bedford Heights, Bedford, Garfield Heights and Maple Heights as the primary partners. Grants and financial commitments totaling more than \$3 million have made this project a reality. Its primary purpose is to improve emergency responsiveness and reduce costs. In the first few years of operation, we project savings into the hundreds of thousands of dollars between the four communities. We have also had dialogues with other communities who recognize the benefits of this venture.

In 2015, the Ohio Department of Transportation (*ODOT*) will begin the process of widening Interstate 271 in both directions between Miles Road and the Summit County line. Actual construction will begin in 2016 and last for two years. Interstate 271 will be widened from two to three lanes north and southbound. Noise barriers will be erected within our city's borders along Interstate 271.

We are making progress on the future of the former Bedford Heights Hotel site (24801 Rockside Road). We have engaged many interested parties who would like to invest in that location. I want to assure the residents of Bedford Heights that I will make every effort to ensure that a business with the potential for long-term stability ultimately ends up on that site.

#### Plans for 2015 include:

- ➤ Resurfacing of Richmond Road from Aurora Road to Columbus Road
- Resurfacing of Solon Road from the east city limits to the west city limits
- Northfield Road at Interstate 480 between Meuti Drive and Miles Road (subject to State and County funding)

Redeveloping the current Municipal Park Playground area (Funtown Playground), which is located behind city hall, by building a freestanding pavilion.

Melva and I have been residents of Bedford Heights for 36 years. Prior to my 1996 election as Ward 3 Councilman, I was quite active in the affairs of the community. My family and I are members of Aldersgate United Methodist Church. I am also a 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree Mason.

Once again, welcome to Bedford Heights and if there is anything that I can do for you please do not hesitate to contact me (440-786-3211).

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

The Building Department is in charge of implementing and enforcing the local and state Building and Housing Codes. This department is also responsible for establishing the standards necessary to maintain a safe and sanitary dwelling. They approve all permits, signs, proposals and construction projects. Because Bedford Heights is a progressive city it is important for the Building Department to be involved in the Planning Commission, Zoning Board and Architectural Board of Review.

To accomplish the goals set by the Building Official, the Building Department conducts citywide inspections of all residential, commercial and industrial properties. The most valuable asset of any city is its dwellings. The Bedford Heights Building Department appreciates the cooperation and support of all its citizens.

#### Codified Ordinance, Chapter 1333, Section 1333.03

Contractors engaged in Building or Allied trades within the city boundaries, must be registered. This includes:

Carpentry Refrigeration Air Conditioning

Cement and Asphalt Roofing

Electrical Sewer Building
Exterior Painting Side Applicator
General Building Contractor Sign Installer
Heating and Air Conditioning Structural Steel
Landscaping Swimming Pool
Masonry Tile Installer
Piping Water Proofing

Plumbing and Heating

All contractors and sub-contractors must be registered and bonded before obtaining a permit. After work is completed, please call the Building Department to set up an inspection.

Registration is issued for the calendar year, starting January 1<sup>st</sup> or any date thereafter during the year and expired December 31<sup>st</sup> of the same year.

If you would like a current list of all registered contractors please contact the Building Department

The Building Department accepts <u>credit card</u> payments in person for any fees collected in the Building Department. These include building permits, contractor registration, point of sale inspections for commercial and residential, occupancy permits, garage sales, apartment inspection fees, Planning, Zoning and Architecture Board of Review fees, etc.

Hours of Operation Open for Business – 9:00 a.m. Closed for Lunch 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Closed for Business – 4:30 p.m.

### BEDFORD HEIGHTS CITY HALL DIRECTORY

Mayor's Office Fletcher D. Berger	Mayor	440-786-3211
Building Department Rick LoConti	Building Official	440-786-3237
<u>City Engineer</u> Don Bierut	City Engineer	440-439-1999
Clerk of Council Office Pat Stahl	Clerk of Council	440-786-3220
Community Life Department Ruth Gray Bill Starkey	Director of Community Life Supervisor of Community Life Front Desk	440-786-3292 440-786-3208 440-786-3290
Economic/Community Development Marty Divito	Economic Development Director	440-786-3240
<u>Finance Department</u> Ted Gordon	Finance Director	440-786-3223
Fire Department Ken Ledford Tom Spape Dispatch	Fire Chief Assistant Fire Chief	440-786-3251 440-786-3250 440-786-3232
Housing Department Cheryl Dillingham	Housing Coordinator	440-786-3244
<u>Law Department</u> Ross Cirincione	Law Director	440-786-3213
Police Department Michael Marotta Dave Leonardi Detectives Payne, Reed, Daniels Kathy Leggett	Chief of Police Assistant Police Chief Detective Division Clerk of Courts	440-786-3259 440-786-3259 440-786-32(66,65,64) 440-786-3280
Public Service Department Nick Baucco Eric King	Director of Public Works Supervisor of Public Works	440-232-8832 440-232-8832
Water Reclamation Department Dave Pocaro Guy Vintson	Director of Water Reclamation Supervisor of Water Reclamation	440-439-5343 440-439-5343
Community Tip Line Drug Tip Line	(Strictly Anonymous) (Strictly Anonymous)	440-786-3287 440-735-6595

City Hall Community Room Rental Dog Warden (Call Police Department Non-Emergency Line) 440-786-3214/3215 440-786-3222



The mission of the Bedford Heights Community Center is to provide a refuge for residents and guests from the rigors of the daily grind. We want your experience to be positive, energetic and exhilarating. Each time you step through the doors of our center, we want to greet you warmly and assist you in whatever experience you would like to take part in on that particular occasion. We hope that each time you visit will be like the first time: fresh, exciting, regenerative, informative, relaxing, and a sheer joy. Please visit our webpage regularly

(http://www.bedfordheights.gov/community-life/whats-happening) to keep abreast of the events and activities taking place at the Bedford Heights Community Center.

A membership pass is required to participate in city sponsored activities, programs and events held in the community center with the following exceptions: fee-based activities, special events, and those activities, programs and events presented by organizations registered with the Community Center.

#### **Memberships:**

#### **Household Membership**

Bedford Heights		<b>Bedford School District Residents</b>	
Yearly membership	\$100	Yearly membership	\$350
Six month membership	\$60	Six month membership	\$210
Extra fee per member over 4 years of age	\$15	Extra fee per member over 4 years of age	\$20
Indi	vidual – Single R	tesident age 18 and over	
Yearly membership	\$75	Yearly membership	\$275
Six month membership	\$45	Six month membership	\$150
		Senior age 60 and over e proof of permanent disability	
Yearly membership	\$15	Yearly membership	\$115
		Six month membership	\$80
Student – Chil	dren age 10 to 1	8 (and in high school) years of age	
Yearly membership	\$50	Yearly membership	\$125
Six month membership	\$30	Six month membership	\$85



#### COUNCIL MEMBER, WARD NUMBER, STREETS & EMERGENCY/NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Lloyd Anderson (Ward 1) Harvey L. Brown (Ward 2, Council President) Alton A. Tinker (Ward 3, Council VP) Kay Gary (Ward 4) Philip D. Saunders (At-Large) Kathie Kelso-Perez (At-Large) Wendy Grant (At-Large)

25300 Rockside Rd Ste 516 23888 Kennedy Dr 5951 Sunset Dr 6703 Balsam Dr 6730 Basswood Dr 24678 Ronan Rd 5892 Sweet Birch

(216) 392-5337 (440) 232-8910 (216) 202-4533 Cell (440) 232-0583 (440) 439-6185 (440) 439-7324 (440) 232-8108

#### City Council meetings are 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Council is in recess in the month of August



Lloyd Anderson (216) 392-5337



Harvey Brown (440) 232-8910



Alton Tinker (216) 202-4533



Kay Gary (440) 232-0583

### Ward 1

Aurora Rd Bartlett Rd Bedford St Bluestone Ln Cannon Rd Carlton Rd Columbia Dr Columbus Rd Daniel Dr Erie St Fargo Ave Juniper Ct Kenmore Ln Lori Dr Meadow Ln Majestic Pkwy Michelle Dr Miles Rd SE Omega Rd Perkins Rd Picone Ln Price Rd Richmond Rd Rockside Rd Sycamore Dr

Vickie Ln

Wickley Ln

#### Ward 2

Aurora Rd NE Bartlett Rd S Campton Ct Cannon Rd SW Comstock Rd Corbin Dr Cranfield Rd David Dr Fairtree Rd Fenlake Gary Ave Grimes Rd\* Hist Rd Holly Dr Kane Rd\* Kennedy Dr Libby Rd Lincoln Dr Louis Dr **Marberry Commons** Mardale Rd Millbrook Rd Northfield Rd Norton Rd Rankin Rd Rockside Rd

Sandalwood Rd Taylor Rd Washburne Dr Westlawn Dr

#### Ward 3

Bear Creek Condos Cambridge Dr Columbus Rd DE Easy St Forest Ridge Dr Holiday Hills Ct Kimberly Dr Lehman Dr Marra Dr Randy Rd Robina Dr Ronan Rd Scarlet Oak Dr South Perkins Ct South Perkins Rd Staghorn Dr Stonehaven Ln Sunset Dr Sweet Birch Dr

White Pine Dr

#### Ward 4 Balsam Dr

Basswood Dr Buckthorn Rd Deer Ct Eaton Ct Eldridge Blvd Forbes Rd Harrow Ct Hedgeline Rd Laing Rd Mark Dr Oxford Ct Pau Pau Ct Randolph Rd Ridgeline Dr Ridgeway Rd Rugby Ct Sandhurst Rd Sherborne Rd Solon Rd Strathallan Dr Tamarind Rd Tonbridge Ct Tupelo Dr Uppingham Rd Woodline Dr

#### BEDFORD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

475 Northfield Road • Bedford OH 44146-2201 • 440-439-1500

The Bedford City Schools District serves more than 33,000 individuals in Bedford, Bedford Heights, Oakwood and Walton Hills. Within the 22-square mile district are six schools. These include two primary schools, two intermediate schools, one middle school and one high school. Our schools are:

Bedford High School (grades 9-12)

481 Northfield Road Bedford OH 44146 (440) 439-4848



Samuel Vawters, Principal

Carylwood Intermediate School (grades 4-6)

1387 Caryl Drive Bedford, OH 44146 (440) 439-4509



Paul Ward, Principal

Central Primary School (grades K-3) 799 Washington Street

Bedford, OH 44146 (440) 439-4225



**Monique Winston, Principal** 

Sherman Micsak, Superintendent of Schools Linda O'Neill, Asst. Superintendent of Schools Richard Dillman, Director of Pupil Services Beth Russell, Communications Coordinator Felice Willis, Director of Secondary Education Columbus Intermediate School (grades 4-6)

23600 Columbus Road Bedford Heights OH 44146 (440) 786-3322



**Kimberly Sterlekar, Principal** 

Glendale Primary School (grades preschool – 3)

400 West Glendale Avenue Bedford OH 44146 (440) 439-4227

(440) 439-4227



Nora Beach, Principal

Heskett Middle School (grades 7-8) 5771 Perkins Road Bedford Heights OH 44146

(440) 439-4450



Virginia Golden, Principal



(440) 439-4777 (440) 439-4377

(440) 439-4363 (440) 439-4520

(440) 439-4412

Bedford City Schools have a "sister-school" arrangement at the elementary grades. Students who attend Glendale Primary School are promoted to Carylwood Intermediate School. Those who attend Central Primary School are promoted to Columbus Intermediate School. This arrangement allows for continuity in helping children develop basic skills and healthy, sustaining school relationships with peers in a challenging academic environment.

#### BEDFORD CITY SCHOOLS BOARD MEMBERS



Barbara Patterson President



Phil Stevens Vice President



Tim Tench Board Member



Debora Kozak Board Member



Merry Anne Hilty Board Member

### PROPER RECYCLING TECHNIQUES

CARDBOARD – (tied or brown bag) Clean corrugated cardboard boxes. Flatten all boxes and tie or place in brown bags. UNACCEPTABLE – Pieces larger than 3'x3', pizza boxes. No plastic or glazed cardboard as found on frozen food or cereal boxes.

FURNITURE, CARPETING, MATTRESSES – Any furniture or mattresses can be placed at curb with trash. Carpeting must be cut into rolls no longer than 4 feet.

GLASS – Only clear, green and brown bottles and jars. Rinse all items. No need to remove labels. *UNACCEPTABLE* – *Window panes, ceramic, mirrors, drinking glasses, light bulbs*.

METAL – Rinsed aluminum, bi-metal and steel cans from foods and beverages. *UNACCEPTABLE – Aerosol cans or any hazardous waste containers*.

NEWSPAPER – (in brown paper bag) Newspapers in paper bags, or tie or bundle. Do not put in plastic bags. UNACCEPTABLE – Phone books, junk mail and any other waste paper products.

#### RUBBISH SCHEDULE

<u>Thursday Rubbish Collection</u> – Balsam, Basswood, Bear Creek, Buckthorn, Deer Ct, Easy, Eaton Ct, Eldridge, Forbes, Forest Ridge, Harrow Ct, Hedgeline, Kimberly, Laing, Lehman, Mark, Marra, Metro Ct, Oxford Ct, Pau Pau, Randolph, Randy, Ridgeline, Ridgeway, Robinia, Ronan, Rugby Ct, Sandhurst, Scarlet Oak, Sherborne, Solon, Staghorn, Stonehaven, Strathallan, Sweet Birch, Tamarind, Tonbridge, Tupelo, Uppingham, White Pine and Woodline.

Friday Rubbish Collection – Aurora, Bartlett, Bedford, Cambridge, Campton Ct, Cannon, Carlton, Columbia, Columbus, Comstock, Corbin, Cranfield, David, Erie, Fairtree, Fargo, Fenlake, Gary, Holly, Kennedy, Libby, Lori, Louis, Majestic, Mardale, Meadow Ln, Miles, Millbrook, Northfield, Norton, Omega, Perkins (north of Columbus), South Perkins, Picone, Price, Rankin, Richmond, Rockside, Roy, Sandalwood, Sunset, Taylor, Vickie, Washburne, Westlawn and Wickley Ln.

If any of the following Holidays occur on a weekday prior to or on your collection day, service will be delayed 1 day: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

PLASTIC BOTTLES – Plastics are identified by numbers one through seven. Here's some common products you'll find of each type: #1 PET (Polyethylene terephthalate)\*: soda bottles, oven-ready meal trays and water bottles; #2 HDPE (High-density polyethylene)\*: milk bottles, detergent bottles and grocery/trash/retail bags; #3 PVC (Polyvinyl chloride): plastic food wrap, loose-leaf binders and plastic pipes; #4 LDPE (Low-density polyethylene): dry cleaning bags, produce bags and squeezable bottles; #5 PP (Polypropylene): medicine bottles, aerosol caps, drinking straws and food containers (such as yogurt, ketchup bottles and sour cream/butter/hummus tubs); #6 PS (Polystyrene): compact disc jackets, packaging Styrofoam peanuts and plastic tableware; #7 Other: reusable water bottles, certain kinds of food containers and Tupperware. Rinse all bottles. \*PET and HDPE are the most common forms of plastic, so they are the easiest types to find locations where they are accepted for recycling.

WHITE GOODS – Washer, dryer, refrigerator, stove, air conditioner, hot water tank, etc. *UNACCEPTABLE – Fuel tanks, propane tanks, metal drums*.

Please use the green 18 gallon recycling bins for all recyclable items

For more information please call our Public Service Department (440) 232-8832



#### BEDFORD HEIGHTS CITY ORDINANCES

351.12 **Prohibits** parking on all city streets. 351.13 Night Parking of Commercial Vehicles in Residential Districts – No person shall park a school bus, commercial tractor, agricultural tractor, truck of more than one-half ton capacity, bus, trailer,

semitrailer, pole trailer or moving van on any street within the residential districts of the municipality between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise.

- Where a sidewalk is provided and its use is practicable, no pedestrian shall walk along and 371.05 adjacent roadway. Where a sidewalk is not available, any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall walk only on a shoulder, as far as practicable from the edge of the roadway. Where neither a sidewalk nor a shoulder is available, any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall walk as near as practicable to an outside edge of the roadway, and, if on a two-way roadway, shall walk only on the left side of the roadway. No person shall purposely walk, run, jog, stand on or otherwise be in or upon any public street or highway open to motor vehicle traffic other than in a safety zone, in such a manner as to obstruct or interfere with the free passage of vehicular traffic, or to cause an actual or imminent hazardous condition as to any vehicle or person.
- 505.01 No person being the owner of a dog, wearing a registration or not, shall permit the dog to run at large.
- 511.06 Noises Prohibited – The unreasonable making of, or knowingly and unreasonably permitting to be made, any unreasonably loud, boisterous or unusual noise, disturbance, commotion or vibration in any boarding facility, dwelling place of business or other structure, or upon any public street, park or other place or building.
- Grass/Weeds/Underbrush cannot exceed 6" as well as overgrown bushes/hedges/flower beds. All 557.02 grass clipping must be removed from the sidewalks and street.
- 951.09 Refuse and recyclable pick-up, should be placed on the tree-lawn for collection not earlier than 6pm on the day prior to the scheduled pick-up. Whoever violates any provision shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00). If any of the following holidays occurs on a weekday prior to or on your collection day, service will be delayed 1 day: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.
- 1181.06
- 1197.50 Survey required for a permit to erect a fence – submit a staked line survey of the property done by a surveyor registered with the State of Ohio, to the Building Department.
- **Registration** of contractor is required before starting work on your home. 1333.01
- 1375.01 Occupancy permit required – no person shall move into any dwelling located within the city limits (residential or apartment) until an occupancy permit has been obtained from the Building Department.
- 1377.02 Rubbish & garbage disposal – all rubbish must be disposed of in a clean and sanitary manner; placing it in approved receptacles or in other approved rubbish disposal facilities. Rubbish and recyclable collection will occur once each week.
  - Thursday's pick-up Residents South of Columbus Road
  - Friday's pick-up Residents on Columbus Road and North of Columbus Road
  - All cans must be removed from tree-lawn after pick-up and kept out of view from the street
- 1377.04 General Maintenance requirements – all dwelling structures shall be maintained in good repair and shall be capable of performing the function for which such structure was designed or intended to be used.

#### BEDFORD HEIGHTS CITY MAP

Bedford Heights unique is community of nearly 10,751 residents miles southeast located Downtown Cleveland and 11 miles east of Hopkins International Airport. What makes us unique is our direct proximity to Interstates 271 and 480 along with the unusually large number steel related companies. distribution, manufacturing warehousing companies residing in this 4.5 square mile community.

We have ended each year with a balanced budget, a contingency fund for emergencies and a reasonable surplus.

A few of our accomplishments in 2012 are as follows: we replaced the city's 25-year old telecommunication system with a highly advanced and more reliable voice-over IP system. This system will not only enable us improve our service to the community, it will also save us money. We upgraded Reed Park (24780 Eldridge Blvd) with a new playground area. We also completed the update of our pools and whirlpool with ADA compliant hydraulic lifts to assist our seniors and disabled in gaining safe and secure access to the water.

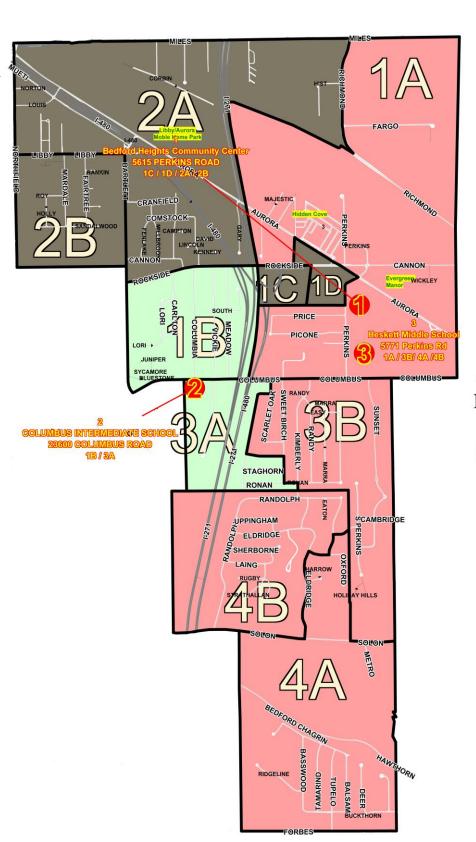
We continued our roadway revitalization projects, the largest being the water and sewer line replacement and roadway revitalization of Columbia Drive.

#### **POPULATION**

Census: 2010 Population: 10,751 Homes: 2,703

Owner Occupied Homes: 2,378

Housing Units: 5,750 Persons per household: 2.49 Median Housing Value: \$122,600



#### BEDFORD HEIGHTS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

25401 Solon Road, Bedford Heights (440) 232-8832

Days/Hours of Operation

Tuesday and Friday -7:30am-10:30am / 11:30am - 3:00pm

Truck Loan Program (\$45.00 fee)

(440) 232-8832

(No fee required)

Emergency Sewer Line Back-up Program

Small Wild Life Removal Program (Animal Warden)

Table and Chair Loan Program	(Deposit Required)
40 Tables	\$10.00/table
230 Chairs	\$5.00/chair
Tool Loan Program	
1 Appliance dolly	\$75.00
1 Axe	10.00
2 Extension Ladder	75.00
2 Hedge Trimmer	25.00
5 Lawn Mowers	50.00
4 Leaf Blowers	
2 – Hand held	50.00
2 – On wheels	75.00
2 Post Hole Diggers	20.00
3 Rotofillers	100.00
1 Sledge Hammer	10.00
4 Thatchers	100.00
2 Tree Trimmers	25.00
2 Wheel Barrows	25.00
2 Weed Eaters (electric)	25.00

### SENIOR CITIZEN'S SPECIAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE

Bedford Heights Community Center (440) 786-3206

The City of Bedford Heights established the senior citizen/special assistance office in 1983. It was designed to assist our senior and special assistance residents by providing answers to questions in a wide variety of areas such as Social Security and Medicare, as well as making them aware of the programs and services offered by the City and County.

Senior Office is located in the Bedford Heights Community Center Open: Monday-Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm

#### **Programs**

Food Basket Program for residents in need (once per month for qualified residents)
Grass cutting (Monday's north of Columbus Road and Tuesday's south of Columbus Road)
Home Energy Assistance Program (H.E.A.P.)
Homestead Exemption
Ohio Energy Credit Program
Snow removal

#### **Services**

Blood pressure screening (twice per month)
Flu shots (in the fall)
Hearing test (semi annually)
Social Worker (as need basis)
Podiatrist (quarterly)
Transportation van

#### **Social Activities**

60+ Club Arthritis class in pool Bingo Geri-Fit exercise class Golf League Movies Senior dances Trips

Seniors pay \$15 for membership at the Recreation Center